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S.C. Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Drive – Suite 100 Columbia, S.C. 29210

Dear Commission Members:

I am writing to express my concern and objection regarding the South Carolina Electric and Gas Company current requested utility rate increase.

As retired home owner's living on a fixed income we have accomplished many of the home projects advised and recommended by the utility company to keep our home utility rates manageable. Unfortunately the utility bills continue to increase.

The yearly requested and approved rate increases are the major contributing factor to our utility cost increases.

The utility company already has an approved series of rate increases that will increase our utility costs in the coming year's, however the utility company will continue their rate increase requests as long as the Public Service Commission continues to say yes to their requests.

In these current economic times the utility company should show some compassion to its customers by delaying an additional rate request at this time.

I request that the South Carolina Public Service Commission NOT grant SCE&G a rate increase at this time.

Very truly yours,

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